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Hon. Rosa DeLauro Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee 2413 RHOB Washington, DC 20515 Hon. Kay Granger
Ranking Member
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Stanton Childcare Resource Center Expansion Project. They are requesting \$1,000,000 in funding.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Stanton Childcare Resource Center, 622 Halland Ave, Stanton, Iowa 51573.

The Stanton Child Resource Center was founded in 2005 to regionally serve children and families in Montgomery, Cass, Fremont, and Page counties. The center is licensed to serve 80 children at one time and currently has 100 children actively enrolled. This high-quality childcare center provides care for children aged six weeks to twelve years of age and offers a three-year-old preschool program during the academic year. The Stanton Child Resource Center has achieved and maintained a Level 5 in the Iowa Quality Rating System since 2016 and is a leader in the region for setting the standard for the highest quality of care for children.

This proposed Stanton Child Resource Center Expansion Project will construct a new center with 11,134 square feet, additional classroom space which would accommodate an additional 49 childcare slots for children. This initiative is led by the Stanton Child Resource Center Board of Directors, Stanton Community Development, Farmers Mutual Telephone Company, the Stanton Community School District, and the Stanton Area Industrial Foundation while also receiving support from the City of Stanton, Southwest Iowa REC and Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation. Stanton is a small community that rallies around community betterment with a can-do attitude, making great strides with main street revitalization, broadband access, and community greenspace and trail improvements. The expanded and new childcare center is part of a larger renaissance for a community with a population of 641 and its surrounding neighbors.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

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Cindy Axne

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